

**In The Specification:**

*Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 10, at line 15, with the following paragraph. A marked-up version is attached to this Amendment.*

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Referring now to FIGS. 4A through 4D, the database layouts maintained by scan site 18 in order to process the wanted to buy products on a per buyer and a per seller basis will be described. In general, the database layouts store information regarding the products requested by the buyer and those auctioned by the seller. Different views of the database layouts can be presented in order to assist sellers in viewing the demands for various categories. The database layouts include a wanted to buy table 92 as shown in FIG. 4A, a merchandise auctioned table 94 as shown in FIG. 4B, a buy sell items link table 96, and a bid decision table 98. The keys to tables 92 and 94 are the "buyer item #" and the "seller item #" columns. These columns are numeric fields generated automatically whenever a potential buyer adds a product to the wanted to buy list and a seller lists a product for sale either as a response to viewing the wanted to buy list (see buy sell items link table 96) or as an initiative to sell the item on the seller's own accord.

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